

BODIANUS PENTACANTHUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Opercula squamata armataque, margine lævi.

Bloch. ichth. 7. p. 22.

Thoracici.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

BODIANUS ruber, operculis quinque-spinosis.

BODIANUS PENTACANTHUS. B. aculeis
quinque ad opercula.

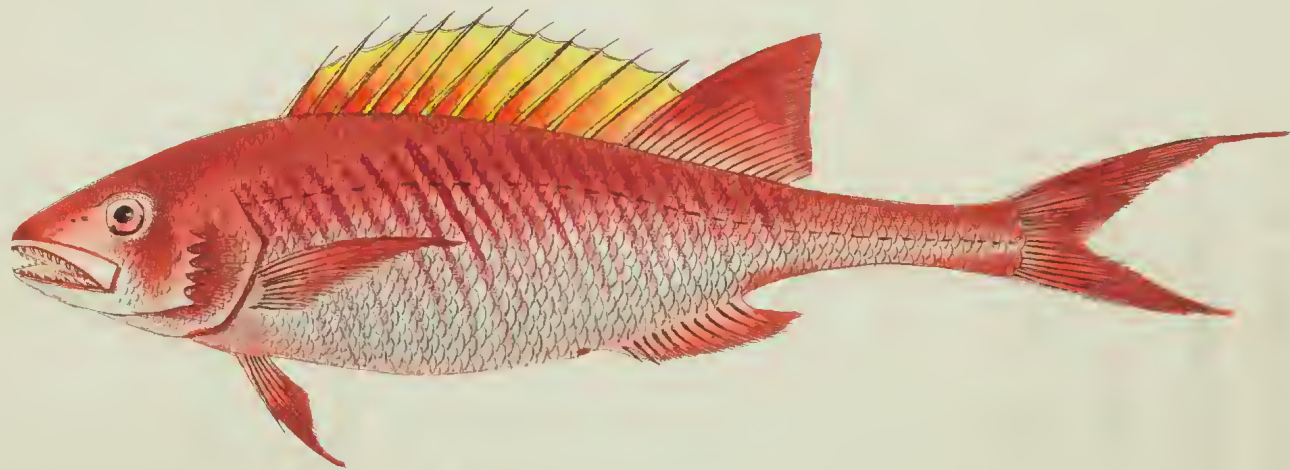
Bloch. ichth. 7. p. 29. t. 225.

Jaguaraca.

Jonst. Ruysch. Marcgr. &c.

Aucta est hisce temporibus scientia naturalis miro incremento, visumque est physicis nova multa genera instituire; cumque piscium qui *thoracici* vocantur ingens sit numerus, inde fit ut quo major diversitas, eo latiori distributione opus sit. E novis igitur est generibus Bodianus, qui multas amplectitur species, nonnullas pulcherrimis coloribus obductas. Maria incolit Brasiliensia species quam depinximus magnitudine quasi dimidiata, ab indigenis vulgariter *Budiano* dicta.

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THE
FIVE-SPINED BODIAN.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Gill-Covers scaly and armed; but smooth at the margin.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Red BODIAN, with five spines on the gill-covers.

Jaguaraca.

Piso. Ray. Willughb. &c.

This is one of the new genera into which the vast number of *thoracic* fishes are, in consequence of the late accessions to natural history, at present distinguished. It contains several species, some of which are remarkable for the beauty of their colours: that represented on the present plate is a native of the Brazilian seas, and is represented of about half the natural size. Its native name among the Brasilians is *Budiano*.